ROYAL COURT

4th December, 1987

Before: The Bailiff,

Jurat Coutanche, Jurat Mrs. Le Ruez.

Attorney General -v- Badrul Huda

Fraudulent Conversion (2 counts). Guilty plea.

The Attorney General.

Advocate D.F. Le Quesne for the accused.

<u>The Bailiff</u>: The aspect of this case which gave us the most trouble, Mr. Le Quesne, was the further demand of $\pounds 2,500$ from the Spongs. We regard that as nothing less than impudence on the part of your client, and went some way to convincing us that he was not in fact as innocent as you suggested, and committed these frauds not so much because he was in financial difficulties, but because he really had the necessary criminal intent - of course, legally speaking, he had the criminal intent - but I mean the criminal intent to defraud simply in order to get hold of their money; however, having regard to all the background: his service to the community and the fact that he has expressed the hope that he will be able to repay some of this money, and we also accept that he has cut himself off from his

family and from his national background which is difficult - he had to prove himself in a foreign environment against his family's wishes; having regard to all these factors, we feel able to accede to your suggestion, Mr. Le Quesne, and not impose, in this case a prison sentence.

Huda, what you did, as you know, was extremely wrong; we are going to place you on one year's probation for the purposes of a Community Service Order; that means you will have to live and work as directed by a probation officer and be of good behaviour during that time and if not, you will be brought here again to be punished for this offence, and you will perform 200 hours of Community Service.